



MSc Programme change proposals

At York The MSc in Engineering Management (MSc EM) has its own, tailored set of distinctive learning outcomes. These won't change, no matter what your location or mode of delivery, and our academics are working hard to ensure your programmes and modules next year continue to inspire and motivate you.

Your health and safety is our number one priority and in light of the COVID-19 pandemic we have needed to make changes to some of your programmes of study for the coming academic year. This document summarises the changes that are proposed.

Normal Programme(s)	Postgraduate Programmes in Electronic Engineering
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Summary of Overall Plans

Students on the MSc EM programme will be offered an alternative start date in January 2021 as well as the normal start date in September 2020. This is designed to enable as many of you as possible, who have expressed an interest in taking this course at York, to complete this valuable one year Masters course. Whichever start date you choose, we will engage you in learning using a variety of methods, with flexibility built in to allow us to maximise face-to-face teaching in line with any shifts in the government guidance on physical distancing.

Lectures will be pre-recorded and posted via the Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) and where possible, small group teaching may be offered both in physical classrooms and online.

We'll timetable as many students as we can fit into classroom sessions (face to face or online), giving students face-to-face opportunities in turn for larger cohorts. For those students who don't get a seat for any given session, the timetabled online version of the workshop or seminar (attended regularly by those who aren't able to attend campus as well as those who might be self-isolating or just unable to fit in the classroom) will give an opportunity for lively interactions and will meet the same learning outcomes.

We'll be continuing to assess students through a combination of coursework and online exams, and specific assessment plans will be available for each module by the start of the module.

Programme Structures

Main teaching materials:

None of our programmes have changed their learning outcomes. We will continue to deliver information, teaching and guidance to achieve our usual balance of theory and experience. On the theory side, we are planning to implement a “flipped” classroom approach where possible. This means you will be provided with online materials (video sessions, pre-recorded lectures, reading materials, exercises etc.) and be expected to engage with those resources prior to attending online workshops/seminars where those materials will be explored more deeply. This will mean every student has access to the same learning materials and online sessions, whether you are on campus, self-isolating, safeguarding or still at home, giving all an equal chance to clarify your understanding. We intend to capture as much of the online Q&A as possible so that even those who could not attend, can still gain the benefit of the information discussed.

In order to accommodate a dual start for MSc EM students we are having to amend the schedule for Sept 2020 starters very slightly. The module schedules are shown below with those modules that have moved highlighted on the revised schedule.

Supervision:

At this time, all supervisions are expected to take place online, especially group supervision sessions/tutorials. However, where it is safe to do so, with your agreement it may be possible to organise individual face to face meetings with your supervisor.

Finally, we recognise that this situation is not ideal for any of us but we are working hard to ensure your experience of the teaching and learning on offer is as good as it usually is and provides continuity in your learning. There will be opportunities to provide feedback at regular intervals plus of course, the option for immediate feedback will be provided via your course representatives or directly to the module leader if there is a need.

Current MSc EM Structure – and reference model

Autumn	Spring	Summer	Vacation Term
Law (10)	Accounting & Finance (10)	Research Methods 1 (10)	
Ideation (10)		Research Methods 2 (10)	
Strategic Management for EM (10)	Enterprise (10)		
Management & Marketing of Technology (10)			
Personal Effectiveness (10)	Personal Effectiveness (10)	Project (20)	Project (40)
International Business (10)	International Business (10)		

Note: Credit Units (CU) of assessment are shown in brackets.

Autumn Entry Delivery Model (2020-21 ONLY)

Autumn	Spring	Summer	Vacation Term
Law (10)	Accounting & Finance (10)		
Ideation (10)	Research Methods 1 (10)	Research Methods 2 (10)	
Strategic Management for EM (10)	Enterprise (10)	International Business (20)	
Management & Marketing of Technology (10)		Project (20)	Project (40)
Personal Effectiveness (10)	Personal Effectiveness (10)		

1. International Business is moved from Autumn and Spring term to the Summer term
2. Research Methods 1 (Data Analysis) moves from Summer to Spring term.

If you are planning to start in January 2021 the schedule will be as follows:

Spring Entry Delivery Model (2021 ONLY)

	Spring	Summer	Vacation Term	Autumn
	Accounting & Finance (10)	Research Methods 1 (10)		Law (10)
	Ideation (10)	Research Methods 2 (10)	Project (40)	Project (20)
	Strategic Management for EM (10)	Enterprise (10)		
	Management & Marketing of Technology (10)	International Business (20)		
	Personal Effectiveness (10)	Personal Effectiveness (10)		